

Proclamation #10-01
NATIONAL HOSPICE / PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH
November 09, 2009

WHEREAS, Gulfside Regional Hospice provides patients and families the highest quality care during life-limiting illness and at the end of life, through pain management and symptom control, caregiver training and assistance, and emotional and spiritual support, allowing patients to live fully up until the final moments, surrounded and supported by the faces of loved ones, friends, and committed caregivers; and

WHEREAS, last year, more than 6,500 residents of Pasco County living with life-limiting illness, and their families, received care from Gulfside Regional Hospice; and

WHEREAS, professional and compassionate hospice staff—including physicians, nurses, social workers, therapists, counselors, health aides, and clergy provide comprehensive care focused on the wishes of each individual patient; and

WHEREAS, more than 580 trained volunteers contribute 70,578 hours of service to Gulfside Regional Hospice annually; and

WHEREAS, providing high-quality hospice and palliative care reaffirms our belief in the essential dignity of every person, regardless of age, health, or social status, and that every stage of human life deserves to be treated with the utmost respect and care; and

WHEREAS, Gulfside Regional Hospice encourages all people to learn more about options of care and to share their wishes with family, loved ones, and their healthcare professionals.

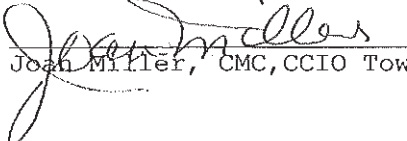
NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Hallett, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of St. Leo do hereby proclaim November 2009 as NATIONAL HOSPICE/PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH and encourage citizens to increase their understanding and awareness of care at the end of life and to observe this month with appropriate activities and programs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the Town of St. Leo, Pasco County, Florida on this 9th day of November, 2009

Passed and Adopted by the Town of St. Leo, Florida, this 9th day of November 2009.

Town Seal


James Hallett, O.S.B., Mayor


Joan Miller, CMC, CCIO Town Clerk